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CALL OF THE SENATE WAS ORDERED

NINE SENATORS GET UP AND GO OUT WHEN VOTE CANNOT BE AVOIDED ANY LONGER, THUS LEAVING LESS THAN QUORUM.

ELEVEN REMAINING IMMEDIATELY ORDER ARREST OF ABSENTEES AND SEND SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OUT AFTER THEM.

CARSON CITY, Feb. 15.—When the vote on divorce bill could no longer be avoided at four o'clock, nine of the senators got up and left the chamber in a hurry. They were:

Arnold, Huskey, Hussman, Thtacher, Fulmer, Carpenter, Kendall, Keddie and Kinney.

This left only 11 preesnt, less than a quorum. A call of the house was immediately ordered by these senators and the sergeant-at-arms and assistants were sent out to arrest the absentees.

CARSON, Feb. 15.—A resolution to rescind the action of the state senate in referring the divorce bill to the committee on railroads was offered this afternoon by Senator Scanlan. It was declared out of order by President Sullivan after Huskey and Fulmer had argued that it should not be considered.

An appeal from the decision of the chair was demanded by Chapin, Lee and Scanlan. Sullivan consulted his rule book in order to determine by what vote the chair can be overturned.

A motion by Arnold to take a recess for 10 minutes was lost by a vote of 9 to 11, Arnold, Huskey, Hussman, Thatcher, Fulmer, Carpenter, Kendall, Keddie, Kinney voting to take a recess.

The chair was declared over-ruled. This opened the matter for general debate and Huskey started a speech against taking the bill out of committee.

Huskey took the position that it would be unfair to consider the question because two senators, Buol and Balzar, who favor the divorce bill were absent. Buol is in San Diego.

Harrington said he would vote to rescind the action because the referring of the bill to the railroad committee was only for delay. He branded methods applied to him to swing his vote in favor of the bill as most despicable and that the play for time was made in order that the same method might be applied to certain other senators.

A call of the house was demanded by Fulmer and Arnold but was declared out of order. The question as to whether the chair had been sustained was put to a roll call and the vote was the same on the motion to recess. Nine to sustain and 11 against.

A motion to adjourn to tomorrow was declared carried by a vote of 11 to 10. A roll call was demanded and the vote was 11 to 9 against the motion.

Senator Harrington called for the previous question. The previous question was put by the president and a general discussion on rules began.

The vote on the previous question was carried by a vote of 11 to 9 after a second roll call had been demanded. The senators voted the same as on the previous question. This rescinded the action of the senate in referring the bill to the committee on railroads.

Senator Chapin then moved to indefinitely postpone the divorce bill. Sullivan declared the motion out of order. An appeal from the decision of the chair was made. A motion to adjourn was voted down.

COUNTY HEALTH REPORT FOR 1914

Number of Births Exceed Those of Previous Year By Good Majority

MORE DEATHS ALSO THAN 1913

Deaths In Year Just Past Number 15 More Than Previous Year

County Health Officer Worden for Elko county has issued a very interesting report of the health of the county for the past year. He also shows comparisons between that year and the year before. The report shows that both births and deaths are on the increase in Elko county. In 1913 there were 66 males and 79 females born, or a total of 144 while in 1914 there were 82 males and 79 females, making a total of 161.

Deaths Also Increased.

Figures on deaths also show that the destroying angel made more visits to Elko than the previous year. In 1913 there were only 73 deaths while in 1914 the records show 89, of which 63 were males and 26 females. Of these deaths 75 were white and 14 colored; 65 were native and 19 foreign; 4 were unknown; 45 single and 29 married; 11 were widowed.

White Births in Majority.

Of the births for 1914, the white race was greatly in the majority. Of those recorded 154 were white, 2 were Indians and 5 were Yellow. Three pairs of twins are registered and three stillbirths. 111 had both parents native born Americans and 26 had both foreigners.

Contagious Diseases for 1914.

During the past year there were 414 cases of contagious diseases in the county and the deaths resulting therefrom numbered 22. A table of contagious diseases and deaths from them follow:

	Cases	Deaths
Scarlet fever	22	
Small pox	5	
Typhoid fever	20	1
Whooping Cough	47	
Measles	18	
Chicken pox	7	
Pneumonia	35	5
Tuberculosis	28	11
Bronchitis	189	
Cerebro spinial meningitis	1	1
Diarrheal Dis. of Children	32	
Cancer	10	3

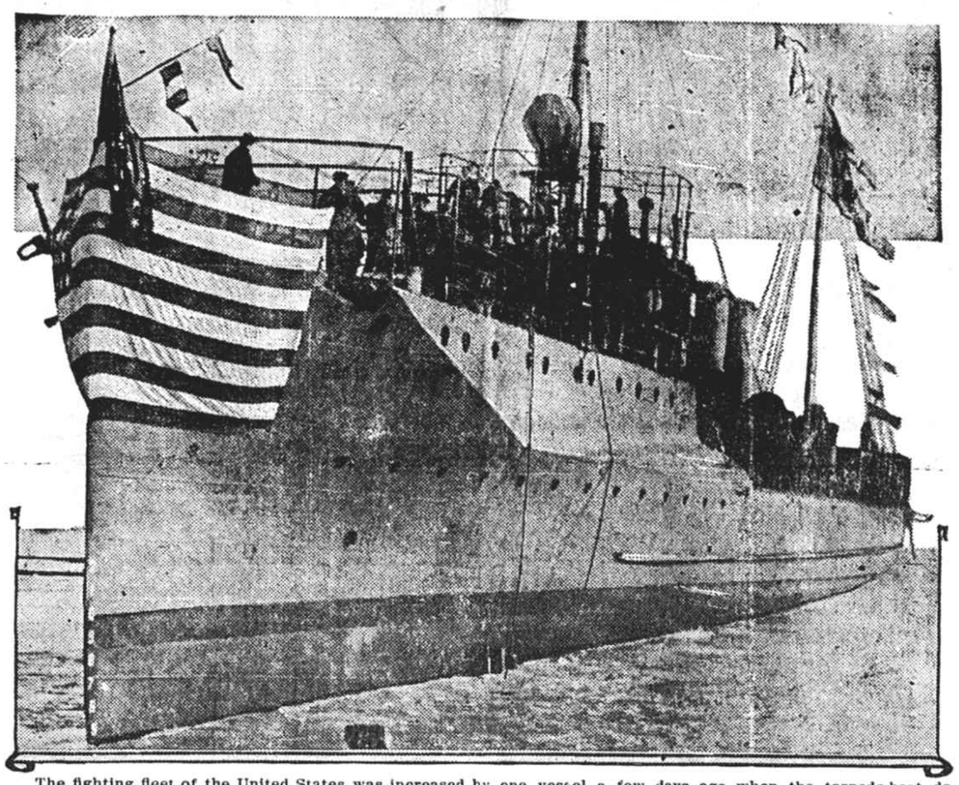
SWINGLE CASE IS DISMISSED

Was Charged With Assault With Intent to do Bodily Harm

W. B. Swingle, charged with assault with intent to do bodily harm was dismissed from custody today upon motion by District Attorney Carville. Swingle, who is a transient giving Reno as his home, was charged with stabbing an unknown man on Commercial street last November. He has been in jail since that time and as the complaining witness cannot be found, the district attorney thought that the evidence was insufficient for a conviction of a greater crime than simple assault and in his opinion, the man had been sufficiently punshed for that offense. He was accordingly dismissed. Harold P. Hale was the defendan't attorney.

Chain Gang Keeper Guy Harbin has had the prisoners at work on the streets for the last two days. Today they are laying a drain pipe near the Southern Pacific freight depot.

LATEST ADDITION TO AMERICAN NAVY



The fighting fleet of the United States was increased by one vessel a few days ago when the torpedo-boat destroyer Cushing was launched at Quincy, Mass., and was christened by Miss Marie L. Cushing, daughter of the Civil war hero after whom it is named. The Cushing is an oil-burning boat of the latest type, 305 feet long, with a speed of 29 knots, carrying four rapid-fire guns and four twin torpedo tubes.

Kaiser Invites U. S. Agent to Conference

LONDON, Feb. 14.—The German emperor, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague, has invited the American ambassador to Germany, James W. Gerard, to a conference at eastern headquarters.

BERLIN, via London, Feb. 14.—The United States ambassador, James W. Gerard, conferred last evening with the German foreign secretary, Herr von Jagow, regarding the United States note, at the latter's request.

Nothing has been made public regarding the conference, but it is learned that the foreign office is now preparing an answer to the United State's note and the idea is entertained in certain quarters that Germany may suggest that the United States send a United States warship to convoy American merchantmen through the danger zone, thus guaranteeing the neutrality of the vessels.

The National Zeitung today publishes an interview with James W. Gerard, the United States ambassador to Germany, concerning the situation brought about by the presentation of the American note to the German government relative to neutral shipping in the sea war zone recently created by Germany.

Reply Conciliatory.

The ambassador is reported as saying the note is couched in such conciliatory and friendly terms that he did not doubt it would have a favorable result.

Asked by the interviewer concerning the attitude of German-Americans, Ambassador Gerard is reported in the National Zeitung as having answered: "People in Germany are too readily disposed to believe that German-Americans would be first Germans and then Americans in case of war. Exactly the opposite would be the case. American citizens of German birth are first and foremost Americans, and the same spirit is true of Irish-Americans."

JAMES RUSSELL, SR., HAS HAD LONG AND USEFUL CAREER---SKETCH OF LIFE

The news of the Illness of James Russell, Sr., at San Francisco, calls to memory the length and usefulness of his career since his birth. Mr. Russell was born in Bangor, Ireland, in 1829. He followed the sea from the age of 11 to 19 and came to California in 1849. In 1854 he went to Australia and enlisted in the wars then going on with the Chinese and the natives. Here he distinguished himself by his bravery and after a faithful and distinguished service, returned to California and was married to Miss Mary Ward, one of the Golden State's fairest daughters. In a short while the news of the great gold fields of Nevada began to spread abroad and Mr. Russell with his wife came to this state where he has resided since. His first stop was at Virginia City where he resided a time and afterwards in Eureka, White Pine, Lander and other counties. He came to Elko in 1877 and has resided here since that time while engaged in the ranching and stock business.

Mr. Russell is at this time 85 years of age and except for the present illness, is hale and hearty as many who are years younger. He has been a life-long member of the Masonic lodge and holds the distinction of being the oldest member of the society in the state of Nevada.

A telegram received from Mr. Russell's son who is in California at his father's bedside, yesterday states that he has recovered consciousness which he lost in the early stages of his illness and his recovery is looked for now. His many friends all over the state hail the news with great joy and pray that his complete recovery will only be the matter of a very short time.

PAPER DOES NOT FEAR AMERICANS

Berlin Publication Asks How United States Could Harm Germany

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 15.—The Montaz Zeitung of Berlin, according to a dispatch reaching here from the German capital, in an article referring to the stand of the United States, asks what harm America can do to Germany.

"She has no army," this paper says, "and her fleet would not dare to approach nearer our shores than does the English. The expulsion of Germans from America would mean her ruin. America's threats are simply ridiculous and it is more than ridiculous for us to take them in earnest."

This paper says it is the intention of Emperor William to be at Cuxhaven on the North sea on February 18.

FEDS AND REGULARS HOLD FIRST PRACTICE

Work Out at Park Sunday—Big Leaguer Shows Local Boys Up

Local back lot talent took advantage of the pretty weather Sunday to take the first good workout at the baseball park. Members of both last year's Regulars and Federals were on hand and reinforced by the presence of Alva Williams, Washington American league catcher, had a lively practice. The only trouble with the Elko hopefuls was the fact that they couldn't keep their eyes off of Williams long enough to get into the game themselves. The way the big fellow scooped them up and shot them across the field was a revelation and followers of the sport in Elko predict a fine season for him.

Elko seems to have the usual good prospects this year and with practically all of last year's team back in the harness should win a large majority of their games. If good weather continue, regular workouts at the park will be taken each Sunday.

OLD MAN PLEADS FOR LIBERTY

P. L. Hastings, Newspaper Man, Before Judge Castle on Charge of Drunkenness

SICK AND FEEBLE, IS REMANDED TO JAIL

Will Receive Sentence Tomorrow Morning At Ten O'clock

Looking the picture of a wasted life, P. L. Hastings, bowed down under the weight of his 50 or 60 years, claiming to be a newspaper man, was brought into Judge Castle's court today to answer the charge of being a vagrant. Hastings was arrested a few days ago while in a drunken state and has been in jail since. When brought into court this morning, he was hardly able to walk and consumed something like 10 minutes in walking the distance from the jail to Judge Castle's office. He pleaded for leniency from the court, saying that he was not an habitual drunkard and that he was very sick, having but recently been released from a sanitarium, and asked that he be furnished with some medicine for his ailments. Judge Castle remanded him to the custody of the sheriff and fixed the time of pronouncing sentence for 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

UNDESIRABLE MAN GIVEN FLOATER

L. B. Phillips brought before Judge Castle this morning on the charge of vagrancy was given a suspended sentence until eight o'clock tonight. Phillips promised to get out of town before that time and was very grateful for the opportunity.

W. T. McNeil, editor of the Western Homebuilder, is here today from Carlin.

ALL CANADA ALARMED AT YANKEE JOKE

STRANGE LIGHTS SEEN HIGH UP IN THE AIR GIVE CHILLS TO VIEWERS OF DOMINION MUNICIPALITY.

TODAY FRIGHT IS ADMITTED TO BE UNFOUNDED; THREE MEN ON AMERICAN SIDE CAUSE OF STIR THROUGHOUT CANADA.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Feb. 15.—Young men living in Morristown, on the American side of the international line, opposite Brockville, said today that shortly after nine o'clock last night they sent up three fireworks balloons, each of which exploded high in the air above Brockville.

Reports today from Morristown were to the effect that it was believed there that these balloons were mistaken for aeroplanes by persons living across the line in Canada.

"Report Unfounded".

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 15.—After an all-night watch for the air visitors, in three or four aeroplanes, who were reported to have crossed the St. Lawrence river at Morristown, N. Y., and to have dropped a fire ball as they passed over Brockville, the dominion police and officials of the government were of the opinion today that the report was unfounded.

The chief of police of Ogdensburg, N. Y., 12 miles down the St. Lawrence river from Brockville, had heard nothing of the passage of the aeroplanes over Brockville, or of excitement incident thereto. He said, however, that on Friday last, a farmer living five miles from Ogdensburg had reported the passage of an aeroplane over his

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Box Kirke Soap, 100 bars	3.40
Newton Apples, a few boxes only, per box	.75

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FIRE IN TONOPAH MINE IS EASILY HANDLED BY MINE RESCUE CREW

TONOPAH, Feb. 14.—For the second time in its history fire broke out in the workings of the eBlmont mine tonight. The blaze, after several hours work was reported under control with but little damage resulting.

The fire was discovered in a stope on the 1166-foot level of the workings and when the alarm was sounded all the miners were safely removed from the mine. The mine rescue crew was placed at work and succeedd in conquering the flames.

Four years ago a number of lives were lost in the Belmont when fire broke out in the workings of the property.

Captain H. Werth of this city, now an officer in the French army, has arrived in Washington on a special mission and will probably visit Elko before returning to his command. His friends here will be glad to know that he has survived the perils of modern warfare for the time.

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BETTING BILL PASSED YESTERDAY

Pari-Mutuel Measure Gets Through Assembly; Now It Goes to Governor

CARSON, Nev., Feb. 15.—Senate bill 16 pased by a vote of 38 to 12 against, two absent and one passing. There was no talk whatever, Baird, Beason, Dickinson, Fairchild, Gallagher, Goodman, McFarlane of Elko, Pitt, Scott, Smith, Steele, Voight voted against the bill.

Senate Bill No. 16 is the measure amending the anti-gambling act so as to make it lawful to bet by the pari-mutuel system, reserving the privilege, however, to the actual precincts of a race-track.

BOYLE SIGNS NEPOTISM BILL

New Measure Will Affect Holders of Several Offices in Nevada Counties

CARSON CITY, Feb. 15.—Governor Boyle today signed senate bill No. 9, "An act relating to nepotism". The act does not take effect until July 1st and will affect but few in employ of the state at the present time. Among those who will be hit by the bill are Bert Deady, draughtsman in the surveyor general's office; Miss Gladys Wood, chief clerk in the office of Secretary of State Brodigan, and Librarian Pyne.

In Goldfield the law will remove William Mercer, under sheriff to Sheriff Ingalls and also hits Leo Grutt, brother of Sheriff Grutt, of Mineral county.

NEVADA FORESTER GETS PROMOTION

E. A. Sherman Placed In Charge of Lands Work In Washington Office

(Special to the Independent)

E. A. Sherman, for five years district forester of the fourth forest service district, comprising Utah, Ne-

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